

# NJ TRANSPORTATION



The New Jersey Transportation Fact Book 2000 presents information about the New Jersey Department of Transportation and other agencies that provide transportation services in New Jersey. We hope it will prove helpful. Please contact the NJDOT Communications Office at 609-530-4280 for further information.

# Transportation in New Jersey

The beat of transportation sets the tempo of life and prosperity in New Jersey and the entire nation. On a typical day more than 255,000 people ride buses to work and another 100,000 commute by rail on the third most heavily used public transit system in the U.S. At peak times more than 85 percent of all Manhattan-bound and over 50 percent of all Philadelphia-bound commuters ride our buses and trains.

Joining this movement are the motorists who make 18 million vehicle trips a day on roads and bridges which support the greatest volume of traffic in the country in a state with the most drivers per square mile. Meanwhile, another 23,000 commuters ride to work on ferries and thousands of others on county and para-transit bus services.

Every day we also service the world on land and air and sea. Each working day, we expedite the arrival and departure of 20 cargo ships from all over the world and the loading and unloading of 218,400 tons of freight a day. At the same time, another 324,000 tons of goods manufactured in the Garden State are transported on more than 136,500 trucks.

We fly out of 49 public use general aviation airports. Most dramatically, Newark International Airport in 1999 became the most heavily trafficked airports in the region, used by 94,000 travelers a day. Atlantic City International Airport draws nearly 3,000 passengers a day.

Transportation in New Jersey throbs with vitality and demands our attention if we are to succeed in our goal of making New Jersey — and the nation — “an even better place to live, to work and to raise a family.”



Christine Todd Whitman  
Governor



James Weinstein  
Commissioner

The Commissioner of Transportation is one of Governor Christine Todd Whitman's 17 Cabinet members. The more than 5,500 men and women of NJDOT are responsible for building, operating, maintaining and managing the state's transportation facilities.

He is also chairman of the board of New Jersey Transit, the agency that operates the state's public bus and train services and receives state appropriations through the NJDOT budget process.

Commissioner Weinstein also serves on the boards of the dozen other commissions and authorities that provide transportation service in the state. This ensures that the state's regional needs are factored into the planning and development of transportation policy and objectives.